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Sir:  
Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:  
Inventor(s): Udo Schütz

FOR: REINFORCEMENT PLATE FOR THE BOTTOM OF A PALLET-LIKE SUPPORT BASE  
SUPPORTED ON CORNER AND CENTER FEET AND ON A BASE FRAME, ESPECIALLY  
FOR PALLET CONTAINERS

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#### ENCLOSED ARE:

- (X) Specification (10 pages), Claims (2 pages/3 claims) & Abstract;
- (X) three (3) sheets of Drawings; (Figs. 1 - 5)
- (X) Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- ( ) Assignment to PROTECHNA S.A.;
- (X) Certified copy of GermanPat.Appli.No: 202 18 766.7 filed Dec. 4, 2002  
the priority of which is claimed under 35 USC 119;
- (X) Small Entity Status is being claimed. (37 CFR 1.9 & 1.27);
- (X) Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and 1 reference;

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